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Title: DELIVERY OF A SYMPATHOLYTIC CARDIOVASCULAR AGENT TO THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM TO COUNTER HEART FAILURE AND PATHOLOGIES ASSOCIATED WITH HEART FAILURE

DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131 ANTEDATING A REFERENCE

I hereby declare the following:

- 1) I am currently and correctly named as an inventor in the pending patent application entitled, DELIVERY OF A SYMPATHOLYTIC CARDIOVASCULAR AGENT TO THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM TO COUNTER HEART FAILURE AND PATHOLOGIES ASSOCIATED WITH HEART FAILURE, application serial number 10/773,965.
- 2) The invention disclosed within the above-referenced patent application was conceived of by me prior to at least as early as April of 2000.
- 3) A written description of the invention is present in my laboratory notebook which I signed and dated at least as early as April of 2000.
- 4) A Medtronic, Inc. employee familiar with the technological subject matter witnessed my entry in my laboratory notebook at least as early as April of 2000 (redacted copy appended hereto as "Exhibit 1").
- 5) An Invention Disclosure Form was completed that described the invention and was submitted to the Medtronic, Inc. legal department for consideration during calendar year 2000.

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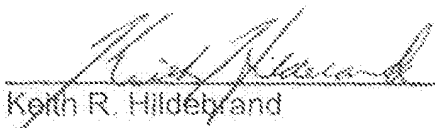
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6) The invention was not publicly disclosed or offered for sale prior to the filing date of the present patent application.

7) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Date: May 4, 2006



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